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Five Year Projection of Changes in OS Professional Age Groups

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MEMORANDUM FOR: C/OS/Personnel

FROM :

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1. This memorandum responds to a recent request from your representative, [] to update a previous HRPS projection of changes in the age groups of OS professional employees. Based on the factors included in our modeling, Security's projected age distribution through FY 1988 is close to ideal because the ratio of younger employees relative to older employees is evenly distributed (i.e. 50 percent of the population is below age 40).

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2. During the last three fiscal years Security's professional careerists have increased in number at a rate of approximately 2 percent per year. The manpower increase has been in the age groups 25-29 and 30-34. Since the strength increase has been in the younger age groups, Security's age distribution shows a pronounced spike in age group 25-29 (see Figure 1 labeled "Present Function"). In the two attachments, Figure 1 shows the actual numbers of employees in the various age groups while Figure 2 depicts the relative percent of employees in the various age groups. Based on fiscal years 1979 through 1982 data, two mathematical models were computed to predict the most likely age group distribution of security officers. The first model assumes that Security will maintain its present strength of [] people (labeled "Constant Model" in Figure 1). The second model assumes that Security's strength will continue to increase at a rate of 2 percent per year (labeled "2% Growth Model" in Figure 1).

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3. Figure 1 shows the predicted age group distribution of each model contrasted against the present age group distribution. The most important result, regardless of the model, is that the age group spike in the "Current Function" moves into the next age group (age 30-34). At steady state in both

models, the spike remains within the 30-34 age group. Moreover, whether the "Constant Model" or "2% Growth Model" is considered, the proportion of people within each age group is virtually identical for both models (see Figure 2). Thus, we can expect that by 1988 the Security Officer population will be significantly greater in the number of employees age 30 through 39 and that Security is not building a problem with hiring young employees who could start blocking promotions as they get older. Rather, the higher attrition rate at the younger age groups prevents the build-up of employees within a specific age group. The projected age distribution for 1988 remains constant with a frequency spike at age group 30-34 and we can not foresee any problems with Security's projected age distribution.

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